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The Ships to be Built by 1917.

According to the Tokyo Mainichi the  
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Japan in the eight fiscal years 1910-17 are  
as follows:-

Fiscal years.	Tons.
42... 1 Armoured Cruiser (Ishiki)...	14,000
43... 1 First-Class Cruiser (Iono)...	4,100
44... 1 Battleship (Sakuma)...	19,350
45... 1 Battleship (Aki)...	19,850
46... 1 Armoured Cruiser (Kumano)...	14,000
47... 1 Cruiser...	4,800
48... 1 Armoured Cruiser...	13,500
49... 1 Second-Class Cruiser...	4,800
50... 1 Battleship...	29,800
51... 1 Armoured Cruiser...	13,500

As, however, the number of old war-  
ships removed from the navy list is in-  
creasing every year, the new construction  
will not do much more than make good the  
losses. Thus by 1917, the tonnage of the  
battleships and cruisers, which now num-  
ber 65, will only have risen from 424,000  
tons to 490,000.

We learn from the Japan Mail that  
the Jiji Shimbun has an interesting  
article which greatly helps to eluci-  
date the perplexing facts with regard  
to the development of the Japanese  
navy. The trouble is that there are three  
programmes in simultaneous operation, and  
that their respective periods have been  
altered from time to time to meet financial  
convenience. Thus, while the public saw  
that ships were being built, it was im-  
possible to say what programme they  
belonged to, or what part of the general  
scheme they represented. These are the  
points now made clear by our con-  
temporary's article. In the first place, there  
is the Third Period Increase. This now  
extends over the period from 1903 to 1916.  
The ships already built under it are the  
following:-

Tons.
Line of battleship Kashima..... 18,400
Katori..... 15,350
First-class armoured cruiser Toki 14,020

The ships uncompleted are one line-of-  
battleship, one first-class cruiser and two  
small cruisers. Next we have what is  
called the Hosenka; that is to say, the  
supplementing programme. This extends  
over the period from 1904 to 1914 and the  
ships already completed under it are as  
follows:-

Tons.
Line of Battleship Satsuna..... 19,350
Aki..... 19,850
First-class armoured cruiser Takuma 13,750
Koma..... 13,750
Kurama 14,820
Cruiser Tono..... 4,100

The ships uncompleted are:-  
One first-class armoured cruiser.  
Two or three cruisers.  
Several destroyers and submarines.

The third programme is that called Hoju,  
or Implimenting Programme. This extends  
over the period from 1908 to 1913. No  
ships have yet been constructed under it,  
but two line-of-battleships of 20,000 tons  
each have been laid down, and the follow-  
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2 or 3 Cruisers.  
Several destroyers and submarines.

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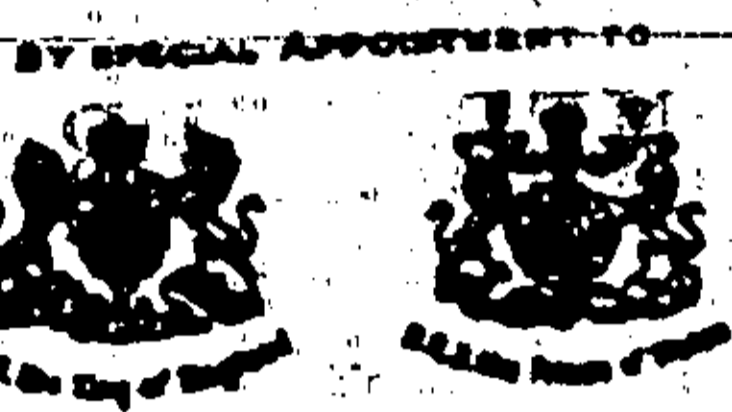
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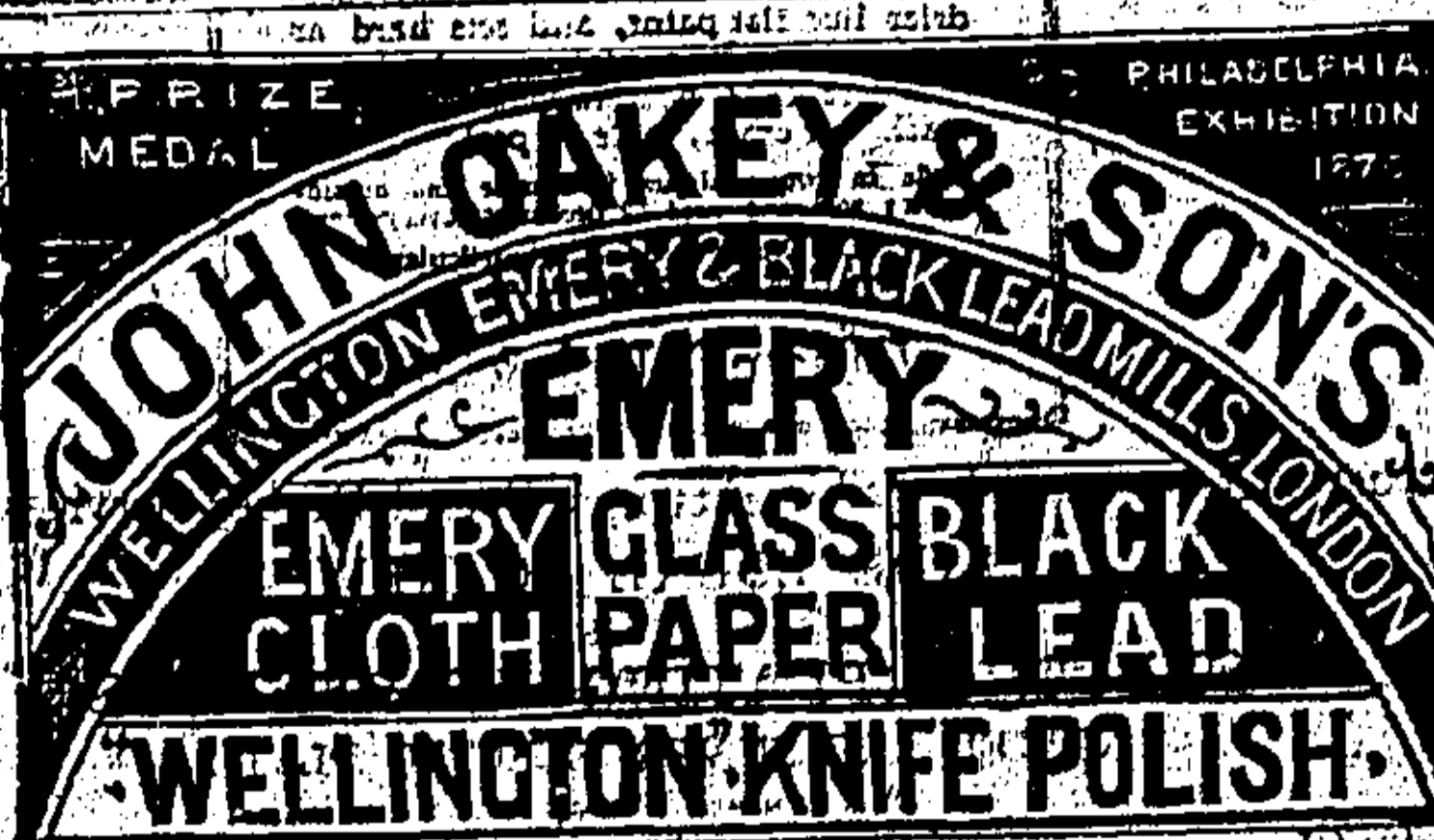
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characters meaning 'Standing on the

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Dated the 2nd day of July, 1909.

DENNIS & BOWLEY,

Solicitors for the Applicant.

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THE EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL

MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

in the Company will be held at the Com-

pany's Office, St. George's Building,

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SATURDAY, 11th September, 1909, at

Noon, for the purpose of receiving State-

ments of Accounts and the Report of the

General Managers for the 11 months ending

31st July, 1909, and electing a Consulting

Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-

pany will be CLOSED on FRIDAY, 10th

and SATURDAY, 11th September, 1909.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,

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Hongkong, August 27, 1909. 1083

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MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

will be held at the Company's Hotel, on SATUR-

DAY, the 11th September, 1909, at 3 P.M.,

for the purpose of receiving a Statement of

Accounts of the Company for the 6th June,

1909, with the Report of the Directors,

and to discuss any matter that may be

completely brought before the Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-

pany will be CLOSED on the 5th and 6th

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By Order of the Board,  
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The new battleship Roma of the Vittorio  
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speed trials, which have proved very satis-  
factory. Her engines developed 22,000  
h.p., and she reached a speed of 23 1/2 miles  
per hour. The battleship Napoli, a sister  
ship to the Roma, reached a speed of 23 1/2  
miles per hour, but horse-power being  
21,500. These are, therefore, the two  
fastest battleships in the Italian fleet.

The new submarine Archimede, 800  
tons, the largest in the world, has been  
launched at Cherbourg. The Archimede  
has a length of 104 ft., and a speed of 10  
knots under water and 15 knots on the  
surface. When she is on water her dis-  
placement is 577 tons.

The Labour Exchanges Bill has been  
passed by the House of Lords.

The Jewish World states that Freemasons  
in Boston have started a movement to  
rebuild King Solomon's Temple in Jeru-  
salem. Freemasons throughout the world  
are asked to co-operate.

The Spectator, commenting on a speech  
of Mr Lloyd-George, Chancellor of the  
Exchequer, at Limehouse, describes Mr  
Lloyd-George as "a second-class Jack  
Cade," adding that "if his premises are  
accepted the exercise of proprietary rights  
regarding land will be nothing short of  
robbery, and landowners, whether great or  
small, will be all blackmailers."

The Parliamentary Commission at Lisbon  
reports that grants by the Royal Family to  
the Treasury in times of urgent need  
counterbalance advances made by the  
Treasury to the Royal Family.

An interesting fact in connection with  
the married life of Caroline Lady Saye and  
Sele, who has died at her house in Here-  
ford, is that the husband, who was 27  
years her senior, christened the lady who  
afterwards became his wife. The deceased  
lady, who was devoted to religious and  
philanthropic work, was born 84 years ago.

She was the sister of the late Lord Leigh  
and of the present Dean of Hereford. It  
was in 1837 that Lady Saye and Sele  
married the thirteenth Baron, who was  
Archdeacon of Hereford and Canon Resi-  
dentiary of Hereford Cathedral. He died  
in 1887 at the age of 89. He was appointed  
to the office he held at Hereford Cathedral  
by Bishop Huntingford, who was born  
more than a century and a half ago. Caroline  
Lady Saye and Sele was one of the found-  
ers of St. Martin's Home for Penitents at  
Hereford.

Dean Lefroy, of Norwich, whose death  
in his seventy-third year is recorded, was  
one of the many Irishmen who have attained  
prominence in the Church of England.  
Having graduated at Dublin he was, for a  
short time, engaged in journalism, and  
then was ordained. Forty years ago he  
went to a living in Liverpool and in 1839  
was appointed Dean of Norwich. He was  
a voluminous writer on theological sub-  
jects, was a well known mountaineer, an  
authority on music, completely restored  
Norwich Cathedral and originated the  
Clergy Sustentation Fund.

The Maharajah of Bikanir, who was  
granted the rank of a lieutenant-colonel in  
the British Army, as one of the recent  
Birthday Honours, is one of the five great  
feudatory Princes of Rajputana who represent  
the oldest dynasties and races of Hin-  
dustan. The Rajputs were powerful before  
the Moguls were heard of, and the Rajput  
chiefs always regarded the Mogul Emperors  
as parvenus. Bikanir has a revenue of  
2,175,000 a year, and he used to maintain  
quite an army of irregular troops, but  
they have been absorbed in the Imperial  
Service Troops, and rendered available for  
the use of the Imperial Government. The  
Maharajah himself commanded the Bikanir  
Cavalry Corps in China with the British  
forces in 1901, was made K.C.I.E., and  
given the China medal. He came to Lon-  
don for the Coronation, and again in 1907.  
He is fond of polo, racquets, pig-sticking,  
and big game shooting; is an excellent  
shot, and a keen motorist. He has a heavy  
moustache, well-formed but rather wide  
features, and looks very handsome in his  
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their efficiency as watchmen.

The Hongkong Cricket League  
will hold its 11th Annual General Meeting  
at the Hongkong Cricket Club, Plover  
Club, Plover, on MONDAY, 13th Sep-  
tember, at 2 P.M.

All clubs wishing to compete in the  
coming season are invited to send their  
representatives.

A. J. BRAWN,

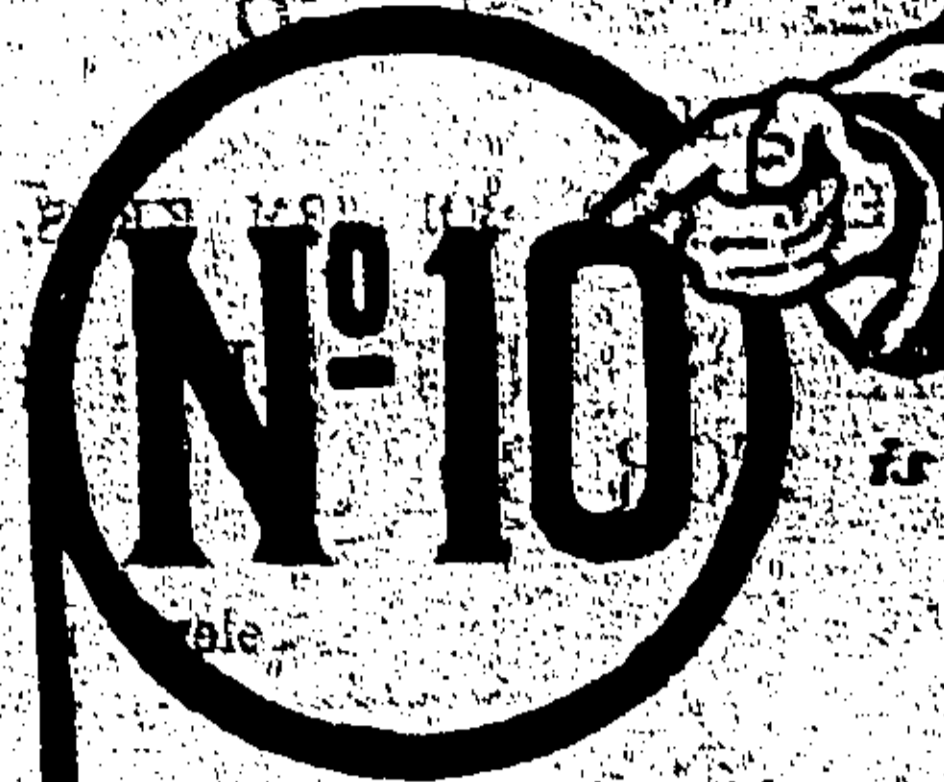
League Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, September 2, 1909. 1105

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11 a.m.—Auction of an Assortment of  
Drapery, at Mr. Geo. P. Lammer's  
Sales Rooms.

Miscellaneous.

4.15 p.m.—Fourth Meeting of Hongkong  
Gymkhana Club, at Happy Valley.

Amusements.

8 p.m.—Performance at the City Hall.

## General Memoranda.

MONDAY, September 6.—  
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture,  
etc., at Mr. Geo. P. Lammer's  
Sales Rooms.

3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at the  
Public Works Department's Office.

TUESDAY, September 7.—  
2.15 p.m.—Meeting of His Majesty's  
Justices of the Peace at the Magistracy.

WEDNESDAY, September 8.—  
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture,  
etc., at Messrs. Hughes & Hough's  
Sales Rooms.

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture  
at No. 13, Morrison Hill Road.

THURSDAY, September 10.—  
Noon—Meeting of China Light & Power  
Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.

3 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong Hotel Co.,  
Ltd., at Co.'s Hotel.

FRIDAY, September 11.—  
5.30 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong Cricket  
League at Hongkong Cricket Club.

THURSDAY, September 10.—  
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Valuable Lease-  
hold Land at Shumane, Canton.

## The China Mail

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1908.

## THE LURE OF THE NORTH POLE.

FROM the days of OTHO the Northman right down to the present year of grace all races with a drop of Viking blood in their veins have felt the lure of the frozen North. For the mere lust of adventure the early voyagers sought to find a way through those inhospitable regions to the fabled land which was supposed to be hidden behind the icy barriers, a land of calm delights and idyllic government where the joys of Vallhalla could be anticipated during mortal life. Coming down the centuries to the spacious days of great ELIZABETH we find men still willing to go on the great quest, but now their objective had changed somewhat, as well as the motives actuating them. It was to find a northwest passage to Cathay and Hindustan, and so "to wrest the wealth of the Indies from the grasp of the Portuguese," to whom those regions had been given by Papal dispensation, that CABOT, DRUMHEER, SIR HUMPHRY GILBERT and JOHN DAVIS made so many daring attempts to win through to the farthest north. In the succeeding reign, HENRY HOPKINS took up the quest and four times penetrated into the regions around Spitzbergen, once even reaching latitude 81°30' N.; first in the discovery com-

pany, then for the British merchant ships, and finally for himself. The Low Countries had finally for himself only to be beaten back by the ice and stormy weather. JONAS POLOS followed him in 1610; then came BARRIS in 1613; and FORMAN in 1615, after which for a century and a half the attempts to find a north-west passage and incidentally to reach the north pole were not resumed. With the extraordinary outburst of naval activity which followed the accession of GEORGE III., men's thoughts once more turned towards Arctic exploration, and Captain JOHN PARRIS, afterwards Lord MURRAY, fitted out an expedition at the charges of the British Admiralty which had purely scientific objects set before it. But luck was not with him and PARRIS did not reach so far north as old HENRY HUDSON had done with his far inferior ship, by fully 40 miles. Capt. COOK, the great navigator, was the next to attempt the task, and he proceeded by way of Behring's Straits, only to be driven back after reaching 70°45' N. lat. His experiences greatly disheartened other explorers and it was not till 1806, that SOUKSSEV, the mate of a Hull whaler, reached 81°30' N. lat., or 510 geographical miles from the Pole. SOUKSSEV has cut his name deep in the annals of the Farthest North, but space forbids our enlarging on his achievements. The subsequent expeditions of BUCHANAN and FRANKLIN in 1818, of CLAYTON in 1823, of GRAB (Danish) in 1828, of de BROSSEVILLE (French) in 1833, may be considered as virtual failures for they really added nothing to our geographical knowledge. Of the tales of heroism which each of these expeditions afford in ample abundance, we have not space to enter upon here; neither can we make more than fleeting reference to the last expedition of FRANKLIN which led to his untimely death, to the voyages of M'CLURE, M'CLINTOCK and others, and of the daring expeditions led by NANSEN.

As the century advanced expeditions to the Polar region grew more numerous. They were despatched by the French, the Danish, the American, the British, the Italian, the Russian and the Swedish Governments, while many private adventures were made by men who had felt the call of the north and were determined upon penetrating to the heart of its baffling mystery. It is like taking up a book of the old Norse Sagas to read the various accounts which Arctic explorers have placed in print for the benefit of the stay-at-homes, and always the task has had to be abandoned incomplete. As the nineteenth century drew to its close the nations were following with breathless interest the attempts of NANSEN, of PELLY, of WELLMANN, and the Duke of ABRUZZI to reach the Pole. They each attacked the problem from different bases. Poor ANDRÉE, a brilliant young Frenchman, conceived the idea of reaching the Pole by means of a balloon, and to this day his fate is uncertain. He sailed away and was never heard of again, though many have been the stories which Esquimaux tribes are supposed to have told of a 'mysterious god-like object dropping from the clouds and thereafter being killed. Following ANDRÉE's example, WELLMANN, an American explorer, constructed an airship, but his two attempts have both ended in failure, the last only the other day. On July 17, 1908, Commander FRANK set off from Sydney, Cape Breton, for yet one more try, and his intention was to establish a base on the Northern shore of Grant's Land from whence he hoped to make a dash with sufficient speed to elude the Pole. Other expeditions are also in and around the polar regions bent on doing something similar, among them being three under Danish leaders. But if the news which we printed last evening be true, the question has at last been won, and that by the representative of the young and vigorous American nation. Leaving a point in Ellesmere Land, which lies to the North-west of Greenland and south of Grant's Land, in February, 1907, he is said to have reached the goal of his objective on the 21st of April, 1908, 81°30' N.; first in the discovery com-

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## NEWS OF THE DAY.

A boatman was fined \$50 by Mr. F. A. Macphail, at the Magistracy to-day, for making fast to the s.s. Clara Jacobson.

Dialogue from 'Golf Illustrated':—  
"Young man, do you not at times feel that this Sunday golf is jeopardising your chance of heaven?" "Jeopardising? Why it is heaven!"

The Board of Agriculture estimates that the wheat crop throughout the United Kingdom will be above the average. There is a strong belief that the world's harvests generally will be above those of 1907.

A young man named Edward Legge, who attempted to intercept Mr. Asquith for "the good of his soul" on his way to the Foreign Office, has been detained at the Fulham Infirmary, and is said to be suffering from religious delusions.

Though the sultry weather still continues with us, athletic circles throughout the Colony are beginning to stir with reawakening life and the prospects for cricket, football, bowls and other sports during the coming autumn are already being discussed.

It is reported from Winnipeg that a terrible forest fire is in progress in British Columbia. The fire already reaches more than a million pounds, and several cities are threatened with destruction. The fire is advancing with great rapidity with a front of one mile. No lives have been lost.

Explaining to the St. Austell Guardians why he had not answered letters from their clerk, one of the overseers of St. Sampson's parish wrote:

"I may have received them, but still not have opened them, making it a rule of my life not to open letters until I have a goodly number. Then I make a day's work of it. Always remember you are paid for your letter-writing; I am not."

Lord Avesbury has asked the council of the London Chamber of Commerce to ascertain the opinions of various trades committees on the following two points:—The transference of the Easter Bank Holiday from Easter Monday to Easter Eve. The desirability of having a fifth Bank Holiday, or Thanksgiving Day, similar to the holiday observed in America. The idea is that in the first case clerks could have three consecutive days of leave, and in the second there would be a fifth Bank Holiday.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. Sholto Hooper left to-day by the Tennyso Maru on a health trip to Formosa and Japan.

There is a growing feeling that Yuan Shih-kai is the only man who can relieve China from the tangle into which her foreign affairs have been placed, and resource is being made in regard to his possible recall.

Mr. J. Bloomfield Matthews (late of Penang and Malacca, Penang, and now Attorney-General, Bahamas) has been appointed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to be Attorney-General of the Straits Settlements, in succession to Mr. W. J. Napier. Mr. Matthews, who will arrive in Singapore to take over the duties in October, was called to the Bar in 1880, was Acting Solicitor-General of the Straits Settlements from October 1902 to May 1903. For three years, from 1901 to 1904, he was a member of the Legislative Council. In 1907 he was appointed Attorney-General in the Bahamas.

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## AFRAID DEBTOR WOULD RUN AWAY.

In the Court of Summary Jurisdiction this morning the No. 1 bar boy of the Belle View Hotel was sued by a shopkeeper for a sum of \$80.85 said to be balance due for provisions supplied. Debtor appeared and consented to judgment.

For plaintiff Mr. Reader Harris applied that the debtor be committed to prison pending execution as he was likely to run away.

His Lordship asked the defendant—Are you going to run away?

Defendant—No, my Lord, I will not abscond.

Mr. Harris—It is more on the ground, my Lord, that he is likely to hide himself.

His Lordship—Hide himself in the Colony?

Mr. Harris—Yes, my Lord.

Plaintiff was called and said he had many times gone to the hotel in order to get the money but he could never find the defendant. If he chose to hide himself in a room it was impossible to make a search.

His Lordship—That is true of anybody. Do you think he did hide himself?

Plaintiff—Yes.

Defendant stated that when plaintiff called he had been out collecting debts.

Mr. Harris stated that he would drop the application.

Judgment was entered for plaintiff.

## HONGKONG CHURCH MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

A Meeting of the Children's Branch of the Hongkong Church Missionary Association will be held, by kind permission of Miss Byer and Mr. Alfred Byer, at "Tenderages," 112E, The Peak, on Tuesday, September 7th, at 6 p.m. The Bishop of Victoria will preside and addresses will be given by Miss L. Byer and Miss H. R. Rodd, of the Church of England Zennan Missionary Society, who have been working for many years in the Province of Fukien. Weather permitting the Meeting will be held in the open air, it is specially intended for children but all interested in Missionary work are cordially invited to attend.

## HONGKONG SERVICE NOTES.

## WATER POLO.

Owing to the fact that in former years a difficulty was experienced in finding suitable referees for the R.G.A. Inter Col. matches, it was decided that in the event of either of the three companies beating the other two in the Hongkong League matches, the R.A. Trophy would be theirs without further competition. On Wednesday evening the 83rd Co. met and defeated the 98th Co. by 2 goals to 1; and as they had already defeated the 87th Co. in the League they are the R.A. Water Polo Champions and therefore holders of the cup for the season 1908.

## OUTING.

Dumb Bell Island was the destination of the R. E. N. C. O.'s Picnic Club on Saturday last. The weather was all that could be desired, and the committee who were responsible for the arrangements on this occasion, are to be complimented. A very enjoyable time was spent on the trip, but beyond swimming and lolling little else was done after arrival at the Island owing to lack of time.

## SHOOTING.

That the recommendations of the Army Council with regard to rifle meetings are beginning to take effect is evident from the fact that the R. E. Rifle Association competitions are now a combination of rapid and slow practices on the ringed-figure targets. The results of this, the first competition entirely on the new principle in the Colony, will be watched with interest by the local shooting enthusiasts, as the adapting, by the C.U.S.R.A. meeting of the requirements of the Army Council can only be a matter of time.

## SENTINEL.

## A SPANISH BANK FOR CHINA.

The Shanghai Mercury writing on August 27 said:

A report has gained currency this week that a bank is about to be started under the auspices of the Spanish priests in China, and the amount of the capital of the concern has been put as high as twenty million taels. So far as can be learned this report is not confirmed, for on enquiry at the Auguadum Procurator in Yangtzepoo Road, the information was given that no scheme had been heard of there. Evidently, however, there is the possibility of some sort of financial undertaking with Spanish backing, as rumors have been circulated that several Chinese merchants have become interested in such a project. It is of course possible that something of the kind might be accomplished by Spaniards other than the priests; but evidently any scheme in prospect has not yet reached the point of materialization. Similar rumors have been current in Hongkong, but they do not appear to rest on any more satisfactory basis than the reported disaffection of the Spanish Fathers with the returns they are at present securing from house property and various mercantile investments in which they are interested.

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## THE NORTH POLE.

## DR. COOK'S STORY ACCEPTED WITH RESERVE.

(Reuter's Service by the China Mail.)

LONDON, September 3.

A telegram from Dr. Cook, the American explorer, received at the Brussels Observatory, adds that he discovered land at the far north.

Newspaper comments and interviews with other Arctic explorers are tinged with a certain amount of reserve pending detailed information.

The newspapers draw attention to the difficulty Dr. Cook will experience in furnishing confirmation of his statements as he was unaccompanied by any civilized companion.

## HOW THE DISCOVERY WAS ACCOMPLISHED.

## TWO ESQUIMAUX AND 28 DOGS IN THE LAST RUSH.

Fuller details reach America.

(Reuter's Service by the China Mail.)

LONDON, September 3.

Dr. Cook has telegraphed an account of his successful Polar expedition to the New York Herald.

He says that after a struggle with hunger and cold he has reached the Pole.

He found a big game country, then made the land whereop are found the northernmost rocks of the world.

He had great luck in finding Esquimaux gathered for a bear hunt at Amatok. Meat was plentiful and there were hundreds of healthy dogs. He thus got expert assistance and with a splendid outfit found himself only 700 miles from the Pole.

Describing his approach to the Pole, with two Esquimaux and twenty-eight dogs, he says astronomical observations were daily secured until the 21st of April, when he was within 14 seconds of the Pole.

He then advanced the requisite distance and reached the actual Pole.

The sun indicated local noon, for all meridians had met, but north, east and west had vanished, and it was south in every direction, but the compass pointing to the magnetic pole was as useful as ever.

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## GOVERNOR-GENERAL SAKUMA.

(Independent News Agency's Service by the China Mail.)

TOKYO, September 2.

Governor-General Sakuma, of Formosa, is to retain his present position for one year more, special Imperial sanction having been obtained.

[Note.—According to service regulations General Sakuma has reached the retiring age as a general officer, but his administrative ability is so great that it is generally felt that it would not be in the interests of Formosa if he retired at the present moment. Hence the appeal to the Throne and the granting of another year's service.—Ed. C.M.]

## TO SUPPRESS BOYCOTTING.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, September 2.

The Peking Government has directed Viceroy Shi Liang to suppress any movements leading to a boycott of Japanese goods in Manchuria.

## MR. FAIRBANKS.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, September 2.

Mr. Fairbanks, the ex-Vice-President of the United States, has been received in audience by the Prince Regent.

## CHINESE STUDENTS GO ABROAD.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, September 3.

The Board of Communications has arranged to send 42 students to America.

## ANOTHER DISPUTE.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, September 2.

It is said that an international dispute has arisen concerning some islands near the Pratts shoal.

## MINING OF COPPER CASH TO STOP.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, September 2.

The Board of Finance has instructed all Provincial mints that the mining of copper coins must be stopped at once.

## THE CHIENTAO AGREEMENT.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, September 2.

The Chientao agreement provides that Japanese and Korean inhabitants of Chientao will be under Japanese jurisdiction.

## RECORDS AT RHEIMS.

SPORTING

Hongkong Cricket League.

The sixth annual report of the above League, drawn up by Mr. A. O. Brown, Acting Hon. Sec. and Treas., states:—

Nine clubs participated in the Shield Competition, viz., Hongkong 'B' Civil Service, Hongkong 'A' Civil Service, Crispin, Royal Garrison Artillery, Royal Engineers, Police, and Kowloon. The Shield was won by Hongkong 'B' after a keen struggle with Civil Service, the runners-up. The competing club were not so equally matched as in the previous season when four clubs went neck and neck for the championship. Some clubs found the League programme too arduous and failed to complete their fixtures.

The premier club, having a heavy inter-club programme before it, will not enter 'A' and 'B' teams for the coming season but will probably enter a capable second eleven. It is probable the Telegraphs will be unable to raise an eleven and will be merged in the Hongkong Club. It is anticipated that the Buffs will join the competition.

It has been suggested that a League XI play a series of three test matches against the Hongkong C. C. It has also been suggested that a second division of the League be formed.

The method of placing clubs in the League table is the same as that adopted by the counties at home, viz. by percentages, and I would earnestly recommend that the method of arranging fixtures be likewise the same, that is, that the management of each club places itself what and how many fixtures it arranges so long as it arranges, and plays at least half the maximum. If some such scheme as this is not adopted several clubs and many individual players will decline to take part in what they deem a too arduous undertaking.

The shield and gold medals were given into the keeping of Mr. F. Maitland, the H.K.C.C. President, by Mr. W. D. Braidwood, the Vice-President of the League, at the conclusion of the match with the Ladies Recreation Club.

Mr. A. E. Asger, the indefatigable Hon. Sec. of the League, left Hongkong for England in April and is expected to return in about two months.

The accounts show a credit balance of \$41.90.

The annual general meeting will be held in the Hongkong Cricket Club Pavilion on Monday, the 13th of September, at 5.30 p.m.

English Cricket.

Kent, which was second in the English county championship last year, comes out top of the list for 1909, with Lancashire seventh last year, in second place, and Yorkshire, the 1908 champions, probably third, with Sussex close up. In the matches played on August 28, 29, and 30, the Australians beat Sussex at Brighton by one wicket; Yorkshire defeated Essex at Leyton by 151 runs; Surrey beat Warwickshire in Worcestershire by six wickets; Middlesex defeated Gloucestershire at Bristol by an innings and 31 runs; Lancashire beat Somersetshire at Manchester by 93 runs; Northamptonshire beat Devonshire at Nottingham by an innings and 34 runs; Kent beat Leicestershire at Dover by an innings and ten runs; and Hampshire defeated Warwickshire at Bournemouth by an innings and 53 runs.

REVIEWS.

*Circle Tracks on North Pacific Ocean*, by W. R. Jeffcott, Lieutenant, R.N.R. (Extra Master), Hongkong, Messrs. Kelly and Walsh, Ltd.

Captain Jeffcott has prepared a very handy volume which should appeal to every mariner traversing the North Pacific. He disclaims, having produced anything new or startling, merely something thoroughly practical, and he declares that should the little work be so fortunate as to meet with the approval of those conducting the navigation of ships on these routes, he will be amply repaid for many watches below spent in its compilation. After a carefully digested introduction, Capt. Jeffcott devotes 10 pages to the "combined circles," Cape Beale to Inupuk, 13 pages to the "composite track over the same course," and then goes on to provide mariners with assistance over the San Francisco to Nootka great circle; the Nootka to Kapauna Point great circle; the Farallones Light to Makapu, Point; and the winter route from Honolulu to Nootka. Altogether it is a book we can thoroughly recommend.

*Travel and Exploration for August*, London, Withersby and Co.

Travel in far countries is being made easier and more expeditious every year by the enterprise of those who are organising the navigation of the great rivers of the world and by the railways in land that a century ago were unknown. How far modern science and energy has progressed in this respect is shown in the August number of *Travel and Exploration*, which contains accounts of three notable journeys. Mr. G. B. Bank describes a journey which he made across Africa from Boma to Mombasa; Miss Agnes Dennis Cameron concludes a description, begun in the July number, of a trip from Edmonton across Northern Canada to the Arctic Circle; and Mr. H. Whitaker gives an account of a journey across Russia, Turkistan and the Thian Shan Mountains to India. "A Frozen Night on the Moon," is described by E. Elliot Stock. "Travel Notes in French Indo-China," by Henry G. Bryan, is of more than usual interest. Considering Hongkong's close proximity to French Indo-China it is surprising how little we know of that region and Mr. Bryan's article will help to remove many misconceptions. An Elephant Raid in British Colonial Africa, has a special interest in that it was written by an African native. Mr. Wm. Piercy, F.R.G.S., has translated it and added explanatory footnotes.

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TOKYO LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Tokyo, August 31.

The Japanese Residency-General in Seoul has completed the compilation of the Budget for the forthcoming fiscal year. The total sum involved is reported to be about ten million Yen in round figures, and it includes Yen 3,000,000 for the Residency-General; Yen 3,000,000 for the Judiciary and Prisons, the administration of which was recently transferred to the hands of Japan; Yen 210,000 for education; Yen 3,000,000 to be advanced to the Korean Government in accordance with special arrangements, etc. It is said that the expenditures for Communication and Railways are provided in special accounts.

It is reported by a commercial journal that the Government will shortly issue Treasury Bills amounting to Yen 10,000,000. These will bear interest at the rate of 4.38 per cent per annum. It is said that in the natural course of events all the private banks will follow the step recently taken by the Bank of Japan and lower their rates of interest. Changes may thus be expected in the money market, while on the other hand the Stock Markets have already become very brisk. Five per cent bonds have risen about 4 points and other Government securities and shares generally are trending steadily upwards. During the forthcoming four months about Yen 20,000,000 will enter Japan from foreign countries in the form of loans contracted abroad by Osaka and some other cities. In September the Government will pay out Yen 8,000,000 as interest on State loans, and in the following month it will redeem Yen 20,000,000 worth of securities. There is accordingly an idea current that all the private banks will lower their interest rates on fixed deposits to 4.5 per cent on an average.

The East-Asia Industrial Company has at length been formed though considerable friction arose among many leading business men of Tokyo concerning it. This company intends to supply materials to China in competition with foreign syndicates or in conjunction with them. The promoters will meet at the beginning of September with a view to passing the regulations. It is needless to add that this association has been organized with special assistance from the Government.

The Chinese students in Tokyo, who are, it is alleged, indignant at the ultimatum recently given by the Japanese to the Chinese Government, have held a meeting. They elected three delegates, one of whom is to proceed to Liangtung, another to Shanghai, and the last to Peking with a view to organising a boycott of Japanese merchandise throughout China.

According to a late semi-official report, a financial agreement with regard to the Kirin-Changchun and the Mukden-Hsinmintun Railways was recently concluded between China and Japan. The fund to be disbursed by Japan on account of the Kirin-Changchun Railway is Y2,150,000 and on account of the Mukden-Hsinmintun Railway Y320,000. The disbursements are to be made in the form of a loan bearing 5 per cent interest and the bonds are to be taken at the price of 93 per 100. In the case of the first mentioned railway, the loan is to remain unredeemed for five years and to be thereafter redeemed in twenty years. In the case of the other line, the repayment of the loan is to be effected within 18 years. Commenting on the foregoing agreement, a leading Tokyo paper says that originally Japan was to have been part owner of the Kirin-Changchun Railway, but later she abandoned that right agreeing merely to be China's creditor for the amount of the construction fund. The actual building work is to be done by China and the new line is to be hypothecated to Japan for the loan above mentioned. As to the Mukden-Hsinmintun Line Japan sold it to China for Y1,600,000. One half of this amount has been paid by China and the remainder was left in the form of a loan on the security of the railway. The amount of Y320,000 is one half of the cost of improvement of the line and converting it into a mercantile concern, China paying the other half herself. This settlement of the railway question has created a favourable impression in commercial and industrial circles in both countries.

The equipment of the battleship Satsuma (19,350 tons) and the first class cruiser Iwaki having been completed, they will shortly be assigned to the standing squadron. It is reported that the battleship has been greatly improved since her first plans were drawn and she is now up to Dreadnought capacity, besides having special features garnered by experience in the Russo-Japanese war. The Iwaki is of the Invincible type. The new battleship Aki and the first class cruiser Kurama have been tried and have proved very successful. The Kurama is a sister-ship to the Iwaki. There are two battleships, the Kawachi and the Settsu, now in progress of construction at Kure and Yokosuka Naval Stations respectively. The *Kokumi* reports that the battleships will be of a higher type than the Satsuma, adapting the latest improvements. The displacements of all the new warships aggregated 88,400 tons. The Japanese Naval Office has ordered the Kawasaki Shipbuilding-yard, Kobe, to construct two cruisers of 6,000 tons each. The naval authorities, according to the Tokyo press, intend to provide turbine engines of 20,000 horse-power in the destroyer Unikage, which is under construction at the Matsuyama Naval Station. Two more destroyers of the same type will be built, and the speed of the boats is to be 33 knots each.

Baron Shibayama and thirty-three leading business men of Tokyo and five prominent clergies left Yokohama on the 12th instant, some of them in company with the Hon. Mr. Kato, Minister for Foreign Affairs, at the invitation of prominent Chambers of Commerce in the United States. Two days before their departure, the Emperor entertained them at dinner at the Shiba Detached Palace. Some members of the Cabinet and a few high officials of the Imperial Household Department were present and Viscount Watanabe presided. Marquis Katsura, the Premier, gave a brief address commenting on the friendly relations now existing between the United States and Japan. Baron Shibayama in his reply dwelt on the growth of trade between the two countries and said that the party would endeavour to bring about even more friendly relations between the two nations.

Early on the morning of the 20th instant, an explosion occurred in the military ammunition factory in the district of north Kawachi near Osaka with the result that a large number of persons were killed or injured and some buildings adjoining the factory were destroyed. These included a post office and a law court, but the same time a terrible thunder storm was experienced in the district. Some houses were struck by the lightning, and injury was caused to several persons.

SCOTTISH LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Edinburgh, August 6.

BRIGADE TRAINING OF TERRITORIALS.

The War Office is understood to have under consideration a great development in the summer training of the Territorial Force. Each General Division will have the whole of his troops grouped in one place for manoeuvring purposes. It is anticipated that the Highland Brigade, under Brigadier-General F. Macdonald, will have its camp in the neighbourhood of Perth, where large estates may be obtained by the authorities on long leases. Wherever possible, regular troops are to assist in the operations, and the 2nd Seaforth, now at Fort George, will therefore probably be directed to join the Highland Division. The same thing will apply to the various battalions of Royal Artillery, Royal Engineers, and companies of the Army Service Corps stationed in Scotland.

The combined training of all arms is, of course, very desirable, but whether it is possible with such a force as the Territorials, which must always include a large number of imperfectly trained men, is a matter for military experts. The officers who have just returned from the camps, however, complain that each branch was too much confined to its own department. The Edinburgh "Terriers," for example, were distributed all over the country. The infantry were planted down at Aberdeen in Fifeshire; the Yeomanry at Haddingtonshire; the Field Artillery at Bordon in Forfarshire; the transport at Larnak and Craigton Row, near Castle Douglas, serving other brigades; and the Ambulance and Hospital at Troon and Alderhot. All this scattering of the units may be fit and proper; but the lay mind may be excused if it wonders how the Lullian Brigade could shape if it were suddenly brought together on an emergency without any previous training in co-operation. Of course, that Edinburgh Garrison Artillery and Engineers were sent to their allotted posts along the Forth, and especially near Rosyth.

It was matter of general remark that the men, though they had to face some rather bad weather, looked infinitely better after their fortnight under canvas, and health was the only respect in which considerable improvement had taken place. No one who saw them going into the camp, and then coming out of the training and again to the barracks, could fail to be struck by the improvement in their demeanour. Tenancy of the men, also, this was the first fortnight's holiday, as it might be called, they had no knowledge of a ready promise that the camp experience would be of use in the coming year. "But if it had only been for three months!" was the exclamation of a brigadier.

MR. CROSS AND CAMERON.

Mr. Alexander Cross, M.P. for the Camelford Division of Cornwall, has definitely succeeded from the Unionist party, and will in future receive the Liberal whip. The change of sides, which has not been unexpected, is mainly due to Mr. Cross's Free Trade views; but on temperance and other matters he has for some time expressed opinions at variance with those of his nominal leaders. His intention to Parliamentary duties gave rise to greater deal of discussion among his constituents, and he has been in the habit of holding public meetings in the county, and it is doubtful whether the local Liberals will accept him; they have fought him too long and too bitterly. It is not known whether he will give his constituents an opportunity of passing judgment on his action in this matter. Mr. Cross, however, an election takes place, it will be three-cornered; the Unionists have chosen Mr. Mackinder, who recently contested the Borden Burghs; and the Labourists will also put forward a candidate.

THE DUKES OF SUTHERLAND AND DUNDEAL.

The latest application for disinheritment comes from the Duke of Sutherland. His Grace, who is also the Earl of Sutherland, has presented a petition to the Scottish Court of Session for authority to disinherit "the said Earl and estate" and "the estate and country of Ross." The particular land to be disinherited has not yet been specified. The Sutherland family possess the largest landed estate in Great Britain, which includes almost the whole county of Sutherland, valuable lands in Caithness and Cromarty, and in various counties in England. The disinheritment is important in view of the fact that the eldest son of the Duke, the Earl of Sutherland, will inherit his majority in the course of a month or two. The history of the family of Sutherland is practically the history of the North of Scotland. The Earldom dates back to 1229, and after the influence of the powerful Duke of Gordon, who was a member of the North could compete with the dynasty that ruled in Dunrobin. The family name was Gordon, and the saying "The Gordons have the guid" could well be said of the Earls of Sutherland.

The last of the line of Gordons was Elizabeth, Countess of Gordon in her own right. By her marriage with a representative of the Leveson-Gowers, two great families were united, and the name was changed. Her husband was called "Earl Duke," and the Countess was called "Duchess." "Bonnie Annie Macdonald," one of the most beautiful women of her time, was the daughter of the Duke.

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GREAT BRITAIN AT BRUSSELS.

A UNIQUE EXHIBITION NEXT YEAR.

A NEW DEPARTMENT.

The Empire as a concept which is interested with the British Empire in a reform to be carried out next year with some 40-45 at the Brussels International Exhibition. Unique importance will attach to the British Section there. For the first time what may properly be called a representative national exhibit is to be officially attempted; and it should be noted that the organization which has been created for this purpose is at the service of all the Colonies and of India for purposes of information and negotiation connected with future exhibitions.

The British Section is being organized on novel lines. Exhibitors are no longer dependent on a voluntary committee; or, if required to defray the cost of a general scheme of decoration; or engaged as exhibitors have always hitherto been, in a speculation the end of which they cannot ascertain beforehand. The Section is in charge of a new Department of the Board of Trade, acting in personal touch with them, and taking responsibility for these matters.

French, German and other exhibitors have long been assisted in systematic ways. Our own were at a disadvantage everywhere. But the new organization undertakes to do more than is done for the exhibitors of any other country.

"THE IRON'S SILENCE."

The most prominent position in the Exhibition grounds at Brussels, next to that of Belgium itself, has been secured for the general section which will pass through the British Galleries to reach those of the United States, France, Italy and other nations. In the Machinery Hall the position allotted to Great Britain occupies the centre, is more than one-third of the whole floor-space; and there will be an unprecedented and very remarkable show of machinery in motion.

At Brussels, therefore, a new era in British exhibiting will be opened. This comes as the result of a Departmental inquiry, made by a Board of Trade committee presided over by Sir Alfred Bateman. Taking the opinion of a large number of important manufacturers, the Committee found a strong and growing prejudice against the exhibition of British goods, and came to the conclusion that it was largely justified. But, as it would have been ruinous for Great Britain to abandon alone from a form of advertisement which is now established, they recommended effective measures to attract the attention of the Exhibitors. The Exhibitions Department of the Board is the chief outcome. Instead of every exhibition being treated as a new problem of organization, a permanent machinery for the care of British interests in such matters.

EXHIBITING ADVANTAGES.

To enumerate the facilities which it offers to exhibitors is to realize that a principal aim of the Exhibitions Department has been to simplify the business of exhibiting. These facilities are such that an exhibitor may know, to a penny, what his share will cost him, and he can obtain a low charge for space; and estimates are obtained from Belgian contractors for the installation of machinery. This charge for the installation of machinery, which is the cost of the general decorative scheme, the handling of exhibitors' goods, the publication of a catalogue in French and English, and some other benefits. "Handling" means that officials of the Commission will deliver packages at the Exhibition entrance; and they will take them on the space allotted; take away, store and return the packing cases and re-load at the close of the Exhibition. Further, the Commission will provide free of cost, as far as possible, an adequate supply of unskilled labour to assist exhibitors with the installation of their goods.

A UNIFORM SCHEME OF DECORATION.

There is a very striking novelty in the internal architectural design of this British Section. The character of the design is not such as one associated with exhibitions in general. It has dignity and elegance. In harmony with the section's importance, it will be the British exhibit a conspicuous value for the most useful eye.

The provision of showcases in a uniform style is part of the conception. It will not deprive exhibitors of individual character. Exhibitors are not even required to use these cases, or any cases. If they desire to provide their own, there will be no objection to meet them in the matter, so long as their cases are not inimical to the national scheme. But the provided cases may be had in all sizes and for all positions, and they are dust-proof and extremely handsome, being made of associated mahogany selected under careful inspection.

Machinery involves, of course, the additional cost of foundations and shafting; but the laying of foundations by Belgian contractors will be superintended by a competent engineer, and hand-rails will be provided. Another provision is that of a suite of rooms for exhibitors' agents. This is a new thing in exhibition practice. There will be a reference library and a staff of high-class interpreters attached to the establishment; and it will be furnished with all the necessary equipment for transaction of business, correspondence and so forth.

A NATIONAL MOVEMENT.

His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales has led the movement in favour of this effective new departure in State assistance. He is the President of the Royal Commission appointed for this and two following exhibitions; and in a speech at Marlborough House, on the 21st of June, he declared that he would weigh the matter from the point of view of their individual advantage, but to treat it as a patriotic enterprise. The commercial prestige of the British Empire has suffered from the absence of many "great" firms from past exhibitions. The Earl of Lytton, Chairman of the Commission, and Mr. U. F. Wintour, Director of the new exhibitions, have therefore held many meetings; in the trading concern to overcome indifference, and to explain the new facilities. They have met with very gratifying success in some circles, e.g., Bradford, Huddersfield, Nottingham, Manchester, and Glasgow. The staple industries have been moved to show collectively for the sake of more effective display. Committees or individuals have been appointed to choose the exhibits, and guarantee funds have been raised. It is already evident that Brussels will be the principal holiday resort of European exhibitors, for the Exhibition is far and away the most important held on the Continent since that of Paris sixty years ago.

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## SEMI-TROPICAL ROUTE.

Only line taking the warm Southern Route across the Pacific, via HONGKONG, OAKU, the most fertile and beautiful island of the Pacific.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION)

STEAMER	Tons	SAILING DATE	1909.
KOREA	15,000	SATURDAY	11th Sept. at Noon
NIPPON MARU	15,000	SATURDAY	25th Sept. at Noon
SIBERIA	15,000	FRIDAY	1st Oct. at Noon
MANCHURIA	27,000	SATURDAY	16th Oct. at Noon
CHYU MARU	21,000	FRIDAY	23rd Oct. at Noon
MONGOLIA	27,000	SATURDAY	13th Nov. at Noon
TENYO MARU	31,000	FRIDAY	19th Nov. at Noon

The TENYO MARU will leave for San Francisco, via Keelung, Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Shimizu, Yokohama and Honolulu, on SATURDAY, September 11th, at Noon.

Fares: Hongkong to London \$71. 10. 0, including Berth and Meals across America.

## INTERMEDIATE SERVICE.

China.....10,200 Tons, SATURDAY, 9th Oct. at Noon.

Asia.....9,500 Tons, SATURDAY, 30th Oct. at Noon.

The fine Mail Steamers ASIA and CHINA carry intermediate passengers only, affording superior accommodation for that class.

Hongkong to London: via Canadian Atlantic Ports \$243.

Hongkong to London: via New York \$245.

SPECIAL RATES (first class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of the China and Japan Governments.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, North, Central and South American Ports. For further information as to Passages and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Companies, Kine's Buildings (opposite Blake Pier).

S. SILVERSTONE, Agent.

## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

## (THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.)

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG-SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATION	STEAMER	SAILING DATE	1909.
MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, C. LOMBO AND PORT SAID	INABA MARU	WEDNESDAY, 16th Sept.	at Daylight
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE, via KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, SHIMIZU AND YOKOHAMA	SHINANO MARU	TUESDAY, 14th Sept.	at 4 p.m.
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE AND BRISBANE	TANGO MARU	TUESDAY, 22nd Sept.	at 4 p.m.
NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	NIKO MARU	FRIDAY, 3rd Sept.	at Noon
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	KUMANO MARU	FRIDAY, 1st Sept.	at Noon
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU	WEDNESDAY, 1st Sept.	at Noon
Kobe & YOKOHAMA	KITANO MARU	FRIDAY, 24th Sept.	at 5 p.m.
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	YETOROFU MARU	WEDNESDAY, 8th Sept.	at 4 p.m.
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	YAWATA MARU	WEDNESDAY, 29th Sept.	at Noon

Equipped with new system of wireless telegraphy.

Omiling Keelung & Shimonoseki. Cargo only.

Through Passage Tickets issued to the Principal Office in the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers. Round-the-World Tickets also issued. Between Nagasaki and Yokohama, 1st and 2nd class through passengers have the option of travelling by Rail.

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## ORIENTAL COMMERCE.

## Magistrates at Wei-hai-wei.

## Bewildered by Century-Old Disputes.

Both the magistrates courts have been fully occupied with the litigation which is so marked a feature of Chinese village life," states the British Commissioner, Sir J. H. Stewart Lockhart, in his report for 1908 on the affairs of Wei-hai-wei.

"Every possible phase of Chinese life," he says, "is revealed in the cases which come to court, and without a sympathetic understanding of the people and a knowledge of their language and customs it would be impossible to administer justice in a manner that would give satisfaction to those who seek redress."

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**PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.**

HOMeward PASSENGER SEASON 1910.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS.

**MARSEILLES & LONDON.**

Steamers	Leaves	Connecting Steamers	Due	Due
to	Hongkong	from Hongkong	at	at
Colombo		Marseilles & London	3 days earlier	1 day later
Steamer	Tons	Steamer	Tons	Friday
ARCADIA	7000	MANTUA	11000	March 11
ASSAYE	7500	CHINA	8000	March 18
DELTA	8000	HALYA	10000	April 8
MACDONALD	10000	(through steamer)		April 16
DEVANHA	8000	MONGOLIA	10000	April 30
ASSAYE	7500	MARMOIRA	16000	May 14
DELTA	8000	MOBEA	11000	May 28
DELTA	8000	MOOLTAN	10000	June 18

Passengers change steamers at Colombo, and those for BRINDISI transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at Port Said. Accommodation in the connecting steamers from Colombo is definitely reserved in Hongkong or at time of booking.

Fares to London (including Surtax):  
1st Saloon.....£71.10 Single. £106.14 Return.  
2nd ".....£48.8 " £72.12 "

In addition to the above Mail Steamers the following—  
**INTERMEDIATE (Non-Transit) STEAMERS**  
will leave for

**LONDON.**

CARRYING SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

Steamers	Leaves	Due
to	Hongkong	at
SYRIA	January 26	March 12
RYANTRA	February 9	March 26
RYANTRA	February 23	April 9
SUNDA	March 6	April 22
SARDINIA	April 13	May 4
NORE	May 18	June 2

These steamers call at Singapore, Penang, Colombo, and at Marseilles.  
Fares to London (including Surtax):  
1st Saloon.....£55.0 Single. £82.10 Return.  
2nd ".....£38.10 " £57.4 "

For further particulars, apply to  
**E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.**  
Hongkong, August 16, 1909.

**SOUTH AMERICAN LINE.**

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE FOR  
CALLAO, IQUIQUE, VALPARAISO, ETC., VIA MOJI,  
KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU AND  
SALINA CRUZ (Mexico).  
sails 1909.

S.S. Hongkong Maru	6000 tons gross	Oct. 26th, at noon.
S.S. Manshu Maru	6000 "	Dec. 10th, at noon.
S.S. America Maru	6000 "	Feb. 5th, at noon.

For particulars apply to  
**K. MATSUDA, Manager.**  
TOYO KISEN KAISHA, Yokohama, Japan.

**JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN**

REGULAR THREE-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN  
JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TULATJAP	JAPAN	First half of Sept.	JAVA	First half of Sept.
TJIMAH	JAVA	Do.	SHANGHAI	Do.
TJILIWONG	JAPAN	Do.	JAVA	Do.
TJIKINI	JAVA	Second half of Sept.	JAPAN	Second half of Sept.
TJIPANAS	JAVA	Do.	SHANGHAI	Do.
TJIBODAS	JAVA	First half of Oct.	JAPAN	First half of Oct.

THE Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Northern Indo-Chinese ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the  
**JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.**  
Yokohama, 1st Floor.

**CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.**

Steamer	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Date
SUBI	2540	W. R. Almond	Manila	SATURDAY, Sept. 4, at 8 p.m.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Bolger	Manila	Sept. 11, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**Shewan, Tomes & Co., General Managers.**

**Hongkong-New York.**

AMERICAN-ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

Steamer	Leaves	Due
to	Hongkong	at
FOR NEW YORK, via PORTS AND SUVA CANAL.		
(With liberty to call at MALABAR COAST.)		
S.S. INDRAJIT	17th September, 1909.	

For Freight and further information, apply to  
**SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,**  
General Agents.

Hongkong, August 25, 1909.

Shipping.

**PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.**

HOMeward PASSENGER SEASON 1910.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS.

**S.S. 'MACEDONIA'.**

10,500 tons.

CAPTAIN C. D. BENNETT, R.N.R.

THIS THROUGH MAIL STEAMER FOR

MARSHALLS AND LONDON, via BOMBAY.

WILL leave Hongkong on MARCH 19th, 1910, staying

at Bombay 24 hours only and is due to arrive at

MARSEILLES.....April 16th.

LONDON.....April 23rd.

FARES TO LONDON—  
1st Saloon.....£71.10 Single. £106.14 Return.  
2nd ".....£48.8 " £72.12 "

For further Particulars apply to  
**E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.**  
Hongkong, August 16, 1909.

**DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**HONGKONG-SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS.**

HIGHEST CLASS, fastest and most luxurious Steamers on the coast, having splendid Accommodation for First-Class Passengers. Electric Light and First-Class Cuisine.

Steamer	For	Leaving
HAIRUN	SWATOW	SUNDAY, 6th Sept., at Noon.
HAITAN	AMOI & FOCHOW	WEDNESDAY, 8th Sept., at Noon.
HAIRUN	SWATOW	FRIDAY, 10th Sept., at 2 p.m.

For the convenience of Passengers, Steamers will arrive at, and depart from, the Company's Wharf (near Blake Pier).  
A reduction of 20 per cent on First-Class Fares to Fochow will be made during the months of August and September.

For Freight and Passage, apply to  
**DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & CO.,**  
General Managers.

Hongkong, November 17, 1908.

**THE EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN MAIL SERVICE.**

**TO AUSTRALIA.**

**MAIL SCHEDULE.**

STEAMERS	ARRIVE HONGKONG FROM AUSTRALIA	LEAVE HONGKONG FOR AUSTRALIA
EMPIRE	Sept. 21.	15th Sept., at Noon.
EASTERN	Oct. 19.	13th Oct., at Noon.
ALDENHAM		10th Nov., at Noon.

THE above Steamers are fitted with Refrigerating Machinery, ensuring a plentiful supply of Ice, Fresh Provisions, etc., and are limited throughout with Electricity. All State-Rooms have Electric Fans. A duly qualified Doctor and Stewardess are carried. For further particulars, apply to  
**GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,**  
Agents.

Hongkong, November 2, 1908.

**AUSTRIAN NAVIGATION COMPANY.**

STEAM FOR  
SINGAPORE, PENANG, CALCUTTA, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ AND PORT SAID.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to the BRITISH, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LANTAR, YEMO and ADRIATIC PORTS.)

THE Company's Steamship  
NIPPON  
Captain TARABOCHI, will be despatched to BOMBAY, Aden, Suez, Port Said, and Alexandria, on SATURDAY, the 4th September, 1909, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's Steamship MARMORA, 10,000 tons, from Colombo. Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong. Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France and India (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer, proceeding to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay by the R.M.S. Pavia, due in London on the 16th October, 1909.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply to  
**E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.**  
Hongkong, August 31, 1909.

**CHARGEURS REUNIS CO. FRENCH STEAMSHIP COMPANY.**

REGULAR PASSENGER SERVICE  
TO SAN FRANCISCO, MEXICO, PERU, CHILE, RIVER PLATE, BRAZIL.

THE Steamers of the Chargeurs Reunis Co. proceed from Yokohama DIRECT TO SAN FRANCISCO, without any call en route, thus affording a fast regular cargo service from China and Japan to San Francisco.

The S.S. ANIMAL DUFRENE, 10,000 Tons, Captain X, will be despatched for San Francisco and other above destinations on or about the 19th September.

For further particulars, apply to  
**MESSAGERIES MARITIMES**  
Agents at Hongkong.

Hongkong, April 16, 1909.

Notices to Consignees.

**NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP, LONDON, COLOMBO AND SINGAPORE.

THE Co.'s Steamship Sabita Maru, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves and Godowns. Consignees' Goods at Kowloon, where each consignment will be marked by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon on DAY.

Goods not cleared before the 8th September will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee and the Co.'s representative at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, September 2, 1909.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER ASSAYE.

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from the above Ports, where their Goods are being landed, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves and Godowns. Consignees' Goods at Kowloon, where each consignment will be marked by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon on DAY.

Goods not cleared before the 8th inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever. Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee and the Co.'s representative at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, September 2, 1909.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMER POLYNESIE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from LONDON, &c., &c., &c., are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves and Godowns. Consignees' Goods at Kowloon, where each consignment will be marked by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

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Hongkong, August 30, 1909.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship DERFFLINGER.

Having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves and Godowns. Consignees' Goods at Kowloon, where each consignment will be marked by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP BRYANVA.

FROM ANTWERP, MIDDLESBOROUGH, LONDON & STRAITS.

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SHORTEST AND QUICKEST ROUTE BETWEEN THE FAR EAST AND EUROPE VIA DAIRIN.

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THREE WEEKLY EXPRESS TRAIN SERVICE, composed of, excellently equipped Sleeping, Dining and 1st class Cars, operated between Dairin and Changchun in connection with the Trans-Siberian Express Trains and with the Dairin-Shanghai Direct Steamer Service by the S.S. 'Kobe Maru' and 'Sakiko Maru' (2,877 tons each) as follows—

**NORTH-BOUND.**

Leave—Shanghai (Summer)	Arrive—Dairin	Thursday	Saturday or Sunday
Ar.—Mukden	11 a.m.	Sunday	Tuesday
Ar.—Changchun	8.50 p.m.		
Ar.—Harbin	9.15 p.m.		
Ar.—(Russian Train)	5 a.m.	Monday	Wednesday
Ar.—Harbin	8.55 a.m.		
Ar.—Shanghai	2 p.m.		

Connecting at Harbin with State Express for Moscow.

**SOUTH-BOUND.**

Leave—Harbin (Russian Train)	Arrive—Changchun	Tuesday	Thursday	Saturday
Ar.—Mukden	9 a.m.			
Ar.—Changchun	8 p.m.			
Ar.—Mukden	2.10 p.m.	Wednesday	Friday	Sunday
Ar.—Dairin	2.30 a.m.			
Ar.—Shanghai	12.30 p.m.			

Connecting at Harbin with State Express from Moscow.

\* Russian Train time is 23 minutes earlier than S.M.R. time.

TICKET AGENTS—The Company's railway and steamer tickets are obtainable at all the Agencies of the International Sleeping Car & Express Trains Co. and Messageries Maritimes.

RAILWAY HOTELS—YAMATO HOTEL (Tel. Add: 'Yamato') at Dairin (with enlarged accommodation), Port Arthur and Changchun, all under the Company's management.

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Notices to Consignees.

'MOGUL' LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE STEAMSHIP ATHOLL.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND STRAITS.

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Hongkong, August 30, 1909.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

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FROM SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from San Francisco, Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves and Godowns. Consignees' Goods at Kowloon, where each consignment will be marked by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

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